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## For SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claims:

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2 2. A method of controlling the communication of signals at a receiver station,  
said receiver station comprising a valve location for receiving and storing or  
3 communicating signals and a plurality of processors each for processing a signal, said  
4 method comprising the steps of:

5 receiving a broadcast or cablecast transmission;

6 demodulating said broadcast or cablecast transmission to detect an information  
7 transmission thereon, said information transmission comprising embedded signals;